

STATE OF NEBRASKA



Proclamation

WHEREAS, *Many citizens of Nebraska use the Internet to keep in contact with family and friends, manage their finances, buy goods and services and get the latest news; and*

WHEREAS, *The primary and secondary schools of Nebraska use the Internet to enhance the education of our youth by providing them access to online educational and research materials; and*

WHEREAS, *The use of information technology at institutions of higher education is integral in teaching and learning, research and discovery and outreach and service; and*

WHEREAS, *Public libraries provide access to networked computers, online databases and other resources to the public; and*

WHEREAS, *Businesses of Nebraska use information systems and networks to manage their businesses and expand their customer reach; and*

WHEREAS, *Critical sectors are increasingly reliant on information systems to support financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, health care and emergency response systems; and*

WHEREAS, *Internet users and our information infrastructure face an increasing threat of malicious attack by viruses and loss of privacy from spyware and adware; and*

WHEREAS, *Each year there are significant financial and personal privacy losses due to identity theft and fraud; and*

WHEREAS, *The Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC) was established in January 2003 to provide a collaborative mechanism to help states enhance cyber security by working with organizations like the Nebraska Information Technology Commission and the Office of the Chief Information Officer; and*

WHEREAS, *There are national organizations, such as the non-profit National Cyber Security Alliance, policymakers, government agencies, private sector companies and non-profit entities helping consumers, businesses, educational leaders and our youth to protect themselves online; and*

WHEREAS, *Each one of us plays an important role in securing our cyberspace. Awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of Nebraska information infrastructure and economy; and*

WHEREAS, *The US Department of Homeland Security, the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center and the National Cyber Security Alliance have declared October as National Cyber Security Awareness Month.*

NOW, THEREFORE, *I, Dave Heineman, Governor of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the month of October 2006, as*

CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

in Nebraska, and I do hereby urge all citizens to take due note of the observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and cause the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this Eighteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Six.



Attest:

Jim D. Lyle
Secretary of State

Dave Heineman
Governor